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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Note by the Bureau

Issues for consideration during the third part of the resumed session:

1. The questions listed below were postponed for consideration by the Fifth Committee during the third part of its resumed fifty-second session:

Item 114: Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

- Improving the working methods of the Fifth Committee
- Strengthening of external oversight mechanisms
- Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services
- Gratis personnel provided by Governments and other entities

Item 116: Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

- Development account
- Savings resulting from improved overall cost-effectiveness achieved pursuant to the ninth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and on ways and means of utilizing these savings during the biennium 1998-1999
- Results-based budgeting

Item 118: Joint Inspection Unit

Item 119: Pattern of conferences

- Measures taken to develop further the cost-accounting system regarding the costs of meetings and documentation

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Item 135: Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Item 137: Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Item 143: Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Item 153: Human resources management

- Proposed United Nations Code of Conduct

Organization of work

2. As may be observed from the annex to the present note, most of the issues for consideration at the resumed session require reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions. Since the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions will commence its fall session on 1 September 1998, the Bureau suggests that the issues requiring the reports of the Advisory Committee be postponed for consideration by the General Assembly at its fifty-third session.

3. In view of the above consideration, the Bureau suggests the following programme of work for its third resumed session:

Monday, 17 August 1998

p.m. Organization of work

Item 153: Human resources management

- Proposed United Nations Code of Conduct

Conclusion of general discussion

followed by informal consultations on:

Item 114: Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

- Improving the working methods of the Fifth Committee
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- Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

Item 143: Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Annual reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Wednesday, 19 August 1998

a.m. Informal consultations

Item 153: Human resources management

- Proposed United Nations Code of Conduct

Friday, 21 August 1998

p.m. Action on recommendations of the Fifth Committee

Conclusion of the work of the third part of the resumed fifty-second session

ANNEX

Status of preparedness of documentation of the Fifth Committee
(as at 20 July 1998)

Questions for consideration at the third part of the resumed fifty-second session (17-21 August 1998)

Item	Title or description		Estimated date of issuance	Submitting office
114	Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations			
	Improving the working methods of the Fifth Committee			
		Revised text proposed by the Chairman		
	Strengthening of external oversight mechanisms			
	A/49/368 and Corr.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Board of Auditors on the implications of extending the term of office of members of the United Nations Board of Auditors (General Assembly resolution 48/216 D)	Issued Issued	BOA
	A/49/471 and Corr.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the views of the Panel of External Auditors and the Board of Auditors on improvement of oversight functions within the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 48/218 A and decision 47/454)	Issued Issued	BOA
	A/49/633	Report of the Secretary-General on modalities for strengthening external oversight mechanisms (General Assembly resolution 48/216 D and decision 47/454)	Issued	
	A/51/674	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting updated Joint Inspection Unit views on the strengthening of external oversight mechanisms (General Assembly decision 47/454)	Issued	JIU
	Gratis personnel			
	A/C.5/52/56	Report of the Secretary-General containing quarterly reporting on the acceptance of type II gratis personnel (General Assembly resolutions 51/243 and 52/234)	Issued	OHRM
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ

Item	Title or description	Estimated date of issuance	Submitting office
	Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services		
A/51/933	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the review of the programme and administrative practices of the secretariat of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	OIOS
A/52/575	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit on the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the review of the programme and administrative practices of the secretariat of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (A/51/933)	Issued	JIU
A/52/339 and Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the investigation into alleged conflict of interest within the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B); and addendum transmitting the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit	Issued Issued	OIOS
A/52/821	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)	Issued	OIOS
A/52/776	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audits of the regional commissions (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	OIOS
A/52/777	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the review of programme management in the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Division (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	OIOS

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116	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999			
		Development Account		
	A/52/	Report of the Secretary-General on the Development Account (General Assembly resolution 52/235, paras. 4 and 6)	24 July*	MPO
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ
	Cost-effectiveness achieved pursuant to the ninth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development			
	A/52/898	Report of the Secretary-General on savings resulting from the improved overall cost-effectiveness achieved pursuant to the ninth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and on ways and means of utilizing these savings during the biennium 1998-1999 (General Assembly resolution 52/220, sect. III, paras. 52 and 54)	Issued	UNCTAD PPBD
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ
	Results-based budgeting			
	A/52/	Report of the Secretary-General on results-based budgeting (General Assembly resolution 52/12 B, para. 25)	5 August*	PPBD
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ
118	Joint Inspection Unit			
	A/51/34 (Supplement No. 34)	Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	Issued	JIU
	A/52/34 (Supplement No. 34)	Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	Issued	JIU
	A/51/559 and Corr.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the programme of work of the Joint Inspection Unit for 1996-1997 and the indicative list for 1997-1998 and beyond (statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, art. 9, para. 1)	Issued Issued	JIU

* Estimated date of submission.

Item		Title or description	Estimated date of issuance	Submitting office
	A/52/267	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the programme of work of the Joint Inspection Unit for 1997-1998 and the preliminary programme of work for 1998-1999 (statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, art. 9, para. 1)	Issued	JIU
	A/52/206	Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit (General Assembly resolutions 2924 B (XXVII) and 44/184 and decision 50/470)	Issued	JIU
119	Pattern of conferences			
	A/52/	Report of the Secretary-General on measures taken to further develop the cost-accounting system regarding the costs of meetings and documentation (General Assembly resolution 52/214 D, para. 3)	28 July*	DGAACS
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ
	A/52/	Report of the Committee on Conferences		DGAACS
135	Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991			
	A/52/891	Identical letters dated 5 May 1998 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council	Issued	
	A/C.5/52/4/Add.1	Report of the Secretary-General on the revised budget estimate for the period from 1 January to 31 December 1998 (Security Council resolution 1166 (1998))	4 August*	PPBD
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ

* Estimated date of submission.

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137	Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994			
	A/52/784	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the follow-up to the 1997 audit and investigation of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (General Assembly resolution 50/213 C)	Issued	OIOS
	A/C.5/52/13/Add.1	Report of the Secretary-General on the revised budget estimate for the period from 1 January to 31 December 1998 (Security Council resolution 1165 (1998))	4 August*	PPBD
	A/52/	Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		ACABQ
143	Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services			
	A/51/432	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1995 to 30 June 1996 (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	OIOS
	A/51/530 and Corr.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit on the final reports produced by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued Issued	JIU
	A/51/801	Report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	OIOS
	A/52/426	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	OIOS

* Estimated date of submission.

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	A/52/464	Report of the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit on the final reports produced by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)	Issued	JIU
153	Human resources management			
		Proposed United Nations Code of Conduct		
	A/52/488	Report of the Secretary-General on a proposed United Nations Code of Conduct (General Assembly decision 52/484 and also under items 114 and 157)	Issued	OLA
	A/52/30/Add.1	Relevant extract of the report of the International Civil Service Commission	Issued	ICSC